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SUBJ: UNGA LEGAL COMITE: UN CONFERENCE ON THE REPRESENTATION OF STATES IN THEIR RELATIONS WITH IOS

1. LEGAL COMITE CONSIDERED QUESTION OF DATE OF CONFERENCE AS A RESULT OF RECEIVING SECRETARIAT REPORT ON FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS. ESSENCE OF SECRETARIAT PRESENTATION WAS THAT SECRETARIAT COULD NOT ADEQUATELY SERVICE CONFERENCE AT SCHEDULED TIME IN LIGHT OF OTHER NORMAL UN ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED CONTEMPORANEOUSLY, AS WELL AS LOS AND ICRC CONFERENCES. USSR AND EGYPT STRONGEST SUPPORTERS OF HOLDING MEETING AS PREVIOUSLY INDICATED OTHER EE'S AND ARABS DUTIFULLY ECHOED. KENYA SUPPORTED BY SOME OTHER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES INCLUDING GHANA, COLOMBIA AND HAITI ARGUED FOR POSTPONEMENT TILL 1976 TO PERMIT THEIR RELATIVELY SMALL FOREIGN MINISTRIES TO PROPERLY STAFF ALL CONFERENCES AS DID FRANCE, BELGIUM, FRG AND US AND UK AIN INDIRECT MANNER. AUSTRIAN DEL VIEWS WERE REQUESTED ON POSSIBILITY OF HOLDING CONFERENCE IN 1976 AND THEY SAID INSTRUCTIONS WOULD BE SOUGHT.

2. DEBATE REMAINS OPEN. CHAIR HAS REQUESTED SECRETARIAT TO PREPARE NEW FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE STATEMENT.

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STATEMENT WILL INCLUDE IMPLICATIONS FOR ALL ALTERNATIVES

PROPOSED, I.E. (A) TWO SESSIONS (B) ONE SHORTER SESSION
WITH TWO COMITES (C) POSTPONEMENT TO 1976. RESOLUTIONS
TABLED ON ALL STATES INVITATION TO CONFERENCE WILL NOT BE
CONSIDERED UNTIL THIS ISSUE IS RESOLVED.

3. AFTER END OF MEETING, FEDEROV (USSR) APPROACHED USDEL
AND STATED USSR MIGHT PROPOSE, AS ALTERNATIVE, THAT LEGAL
COMITE AT 30TH GA CONSIDER DRAFT ARTICLES ON
REPRESENTATION OF STATES. USDEL COUNTERED THIS WOULD
NOT BE ADVISABLE, THAT IT MIGHT TAKE AS MUCH AS THREE
YEARS, ESPECIALLY NOTING THAT PROTECTION OF DIPLOMATS
CONVENTION, ROUGHLY TWENTY ARTICLES, TOOK ALL OF ONE
SESSION AND SUBJECT DRAFT CONTAINS ONE HUNDRED ARTICLES.

4. USDEL PLANS TO ADVISE SWISS OBSERVERS TO LOBBY IF
SOVIETS RAISE THIS POINT. SWISS WOULD BE ADVISED TO
LOBBY AGAINST LEGAL COMITE CONSIDERATION ON
GROUNDS THAT SWISS WOULD THUS BE DENIED VOTE, SINCE
THEY COULD ONLY PARTICIPATE AS OBSERVERS.
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